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In re Application of:

Katsuji Suzuki

Serial No. 10/068,240

Filing Date: February 5, 2002

For: FRAME SYNCHRONIZING SIGNAL DETECTING METHOD FOR REDUCING OCCURRENCE OF ERROR SYNCHRONIZATION BEFORE LINK OF FRAME SYNCHRONIZING SIGNAL IS

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Dear Sir:

Applicant filed the above-identified application on February 5, 2002, but has not yet received a first Office Action. Please advise the undersigned attorney as to a first Office Action is expected to issue on this application.

Respectfully submitted,

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